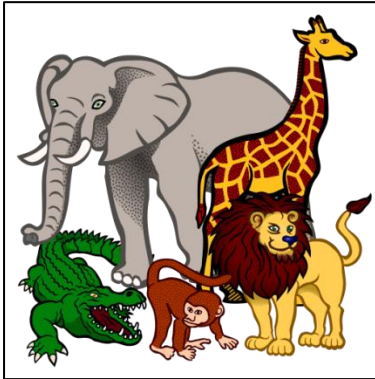


Reception

Autumn Term 1

2016-2017

**Reading**

Reading books will be changed weekly according to House teams. We will visit the Library on **Tuesdays** so please ensure your child brings their library books on Tuesday to enable them to be changed.

P.E.

PE kits (plimsolls/trainers included please!) need to be in school every Monday and will be sent home on Fridays. Our P.E. day is **Friday**.

Show and Tell

Please encourage your child to bring in an item/photo/something special from home on their book change day to share with their friends during our daily **show and tell** sessions.

Homework

Please ensure your child's homework is completed and returned to school on **Wednesdays**.

Important dates**Thursday 22nd September 8.30 or 3.30**

EYFS Literacy workshop. Come along to find out more about how you can support your child's early reading and writing development.

Thursday 6th October 8.30 or 3.30

Interactive Learning Diary (ILD) workshop. Please come along to find out more about the ILD and how you can contribute to this at home.

Week beginning 10th October

Parent and teacher meetings will be held during this week to discuss your child's progress in their first term at school. Look out for more information to follow soon.

You are invited...

To a special display of our work for Black History Month in the school hall on Thursday 20th October at 3:30pm.

This term our learning will be based around the theme of

'Animals'

Children will learn about the following...

Personal, Social and Emotional Development: Children will be encouraged to engage with their new friends and adults within the class. They will be supported in selecting resources and activities within the indoor and outdoor environment.

Physical Development: Children will be travelling with confidence in and around the setting. During PE lessons they will be participating in games; negotiating space, adjusting speed and changing direction to avoid others.

Communication and Language: Children will be responding to simple instructions given by adults within the class. They will also be gaining confidence in speaking in front of others.

Literacy: Children will be drawing pictures of themselves and their family activities during their summer break. They will begin to write the letters of their name and other letters in cursive handwriting.

Mathematics: The children will begin to recognise numerals 1-20 (and above). They will be matching numbers and quantity through a range of child and adult led Numeracy activities.

Understanding the World: The children will be encouraged to talk about themselves and what they did during the summer holidays. They will be talking about special events and experiences that they have shared with their families.

Expressive Arts and Design: The children will be provided with many child-initiated opportunities to build and create a range of models and paintings using a variety of techniques, colours, textures and resources which will stimulate their imaginative skills.

You can help your child to succeed by doing the following:

- Reading with your child as often as you can – encouraging children to sound out words
- Re-cap sounds and tricky words with your child
- Talk about stories as you read them, asking questions like 'What do you think will happen next?'
- Talk to your child about what they have learned at school today
- Practise counting at home to 20

We are excited about the new year ahead in Reception and looking forward to seeing the children learn new things and make progress. If you have any questions, please speak to a member of the Reception team.

Ms Williams and the Reception class team